

Richmond Dispatch.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19, 1884.

THE CIRCULATION OF THE DISPATCH IS LARGER THAN THE COMBINED CIRCULATION OF ALL THE OTHER DAILY NEWSPAPERS OF THE CITY.

ALL OVER THE STATE.

PETERSBURG AND VICINITY.

Case Continued—High Price for Damaged Cotton—Death of a Young Man.
(Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.)

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In the Mayor's Court this morning the case of Mr. C. Baker, charged with assaulting Mr. R. A. Young, was called, but in the absence of the latter was continued for one week. A letter from Mr. Young's attending physician was read, stating that Mr. Young could not leave his home without serious discomfort and inconvenience. It is understood that Mr. Young's wound is not considered dangerous, unless complications should occur. In the meantime the gentleman Mr. Baker has received slight injury. The cotton damaged during the recent riot at the warehouse of Mr. W. T. Hubbard, in this city, was sold at auction today. Buyers were present from Richmond, Norfolk, Baltimore, and Philadelphia, and the bidding was active and spirited. Some of the cotton sold as high as 10 to 12 cents per pound. The whole lot was bought by parties from other cities.

Mr. John P. Turner, formerly of Greenville county, but for several years a resident of this city, died this morning between 8 and 9 o'clock after an illness of some days. He was about thirty years of age, and was a brother of Mr. E. L. Turner, the clerk of Greenville county.

ROBIN ADAMS.

STAUNTON.

Death of a Well-Known Physician—The Roads—St. Patrick's Day.
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The serious and protracted illness of Dr. William S. McCleskey terminated in his death last night. Dr. McCleskey was a native of this county, and practiced his profession in the earlier years of his life near Middlebrook. He removed to this city just before the war. During the war he bought the American Hotel property, and for a time acted as a real estate agent. He was a man of high character, and a good deal of his time to the management of it, continuing, however, to attend to his arduous medical practice. In the course of a long public life he made many acquaintances and friends all over the country.

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To the Editor of the Dispatch:

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Hence to deny to a litigant the right of appeal is no other than causes involving frivolous amounts is virtually to have no law for the great body of society, and to put the weak under the feet of the strong; is to make a man not a judge, but an agent, and the inferior court more potent over the great body of litigants than Czar or Khedive; and such is the judicial system of the United States, for no appeal can be had where the amount in controversy is less than \$500. It is to be doubted whether any civilized government requires so large an amount to give the right of appeal. It puts all citizens (nine tenths of the litigants and nine tenths of human transactions) completely at the mercy of the district judge, and opens a field of bribery, favoritism, and corruption without bound, or limits, where redress is hopeless, and justice is trampled in the dust. But few, if any, of the State courts deny an appeal when the amount in controversy is over a few hundred dollars. The majority of the United States, among its many other acts of centralization and oppression, has so shaped legislation as to deprive the State courts of much of their jurisdiction, and to transfer all cases between the citizens of different States to the Federal courts, and when there, puts their rights under the charter of the district judge. Economy in the number of courts, or in the number of judges in the appellate courts, is a mere penny-wise and pound foolish, and a mockery of all statesmanship.

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Foreign Fact and Gossip.

The Pope of Rome has given the sum of 20,000, for the more needy Catholic seminaries of Italy, which is in addition to the 3,000, that he recently gave to a seminary at Mantua.

Many of the Arabs captured in the battle of Tel el Jebel knew nothing of the Egyptian forces, had never heard of their victory, and had never heard of Arab himself, and had never heard of Tewfik.

An English soldier who survived the Sinking garrison, having been captured during the sortie by Ibrahim Daud, when he reached the English camp again said he had been very badly injured, and he was tortured by the Arabs severely, and he was ordered to teach them how to manage their guns.

Said the editor of an important Paris newspaper to M. de Blowitz recently: "England must be victorious (in Egypt); she must for her own sake, for our sake, for the sake of civilization." But, to the surprise of M. de Blowitz, this opinion was the next morning "bore no traces of his warmth."

When the restoration work was begun on the tower of Peterborough Cathedral it was found that the alarming shaking of the tower was due to the crumbling, under pressure, of an inferior foundation. More recent investigations go to show that the cause of the danger from exactly the same state of things.

A Letter from George Washington.

(From the Leisure Hour.)

The following letter is taken from an old Edinburgh Evening Courier, dated September 17, 1786. It was addressed to a gentleman in Dublin, whose name is not given: "Sir,—For the honor you have done me in calling your only child by my name—and that, too, you add, when the issue of the American struggle is decided, I pray you to think me also due your politeness in sending me a piece of linen of your staple manufacture; and I am particularly indebted to you for the favorable notice which you have done me in your letter to me of the 4th of August last. 'Your country has my best wishes for the fullest fruition of everything that is interesting to the rights of mankind; and you, sir, that you may be a principal sharer of them.'

"I beg your most obedient, very humble servant, (Signed) G. WASHINGTON. 'Mount Vernon, March 10, 1786.' In the same old newspaper we find the following remarks upon American affairs. The writer would be somewhat astonished if he could behold that empire beyond the Atlantic concerning whose prospects his anticipations have proved as unfounded as his language was ungrammatical.

"The affairs of America are still involved in obscurity. Little permanency can be expected to their present divided form of Government, and unless they again become colonial possessions to some Power, the establishment of an empire must be work of ages. The late edict passed by Virginia relative to religion shows that they have already transgressed in their Constitution, as originally published, on the peace; and the publication of Unitarian forms of worship in Massachusetts intimates the prevalence of a party in matters of religion. The remittances, however, of this country of money have been considerable."

Late Weather Report.

(Special telegram to the Dispatch.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 19—12:30 A. M.—For the Middle Atlantic States, threatening rain, with light to moderate easterly winds, and lower barometer.

For the South Atlantic States, light rains and partly cloudy weather, winds shifting to southerly, slight changes in temperature, and lower barometer.

THE WEATHER YESTERDAY was partly clear, cloudy, and slightly rainy in the evening.

Thermometer yesterday: 6 A. M., 54; 9 A. M., 60; noon, 73; 3 P. M., 70; 6 P. M., 60. Mean temperature, 64.5.

AUCTION SALES—This Day.

By Chevalier & Rose.

Real Estate Agents, Auctioneers, and Brokers.

Office, No. 5 North Tenth street.

AUCTION SALE

OF VALUABLE WEST BROAD AND EAST FRANKLIN STREET PROPERTY.

By request of the owner, who has decided to remove to Virginia, we will sell by auction the following VALUABLE PROPERTY, in the order named:—

First, On TUESDAY, MARCH 19, 1884, at 4 o'clock P. M., we will sell, upon the premises, that CENTRALLY-LOCATED BRICK DWELLING, above, the lot has a front of 20 feet on the south line of Franklin street, and a depth of 90 feet, and is situated in all six rooms, besides basement, and is well supplied by good water.

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SPECIAL SALE OF NEW CLOTHING.

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By J. E. LAUGHTON, Jr., Auctioneer.

RICHMOND BAZAAR.

NOS. 1458 AND 1440 FRANKLIN STREET.

Our regular sale will take place

TO-DAY.

At 10 o'clock, at which time we will offer a number of EXCELLENT ANIMALS: 1 GOOD BIG GRAY HORSE and FIRST-CLASS DRUGS, &c.

By E. B. COOK, Auctioneer.

PERSONAL.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

All persons having claims against the estate of JOHN W. WRIGHT, deceased, will please present them to the undersigned, who is authorized to receive and adjust the same, on or before the 15th of April next.

Administratrix of John W. Wright, deceased.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH A DEED

of separation made the 20th day of January, 1884, between my wife, LARVA W. WRIGHT, and myself—George A. WRIGHT and H. H. WRIGHT, I hereby give notice that I have no longer retained any interest in the real estate and debts of said LARVA; and her creditors are hereby warned to present their claims to me on or before the 15th of April next.

By JAMES P. WALTON.

LINE CEMENT, &c.

SHOONER ADA AMES DAILY EX-PORTS, &c.

SAVING FIRE-BRICKS, &c.

AUCTION SALES—Future Days.

By Sutton & Co.

Real Estate Agents and Auctioneers.

Office, 1108 Main street.

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF THE WEST SIDE OF ST. PAUL STREET BETWEEN COURTS AND HILL STREETS.—By virtue of certain judgments rendered in the County Court of the City of Richmond, and in the payment of certain notes thereon secured, and being required to do by the holder thereof, I shall proceed to sell at public auction, on the premises, the following described property:—

MONDAY, MARCH 24, 1884, at 5 o'clock P. M., the PROPERTY above described, the lot fronts 25 feet 4 inches, and has a depth of 75 feet on alley 10 feet wide. TERMS: Cash as to \$122.70, with some little interest and expense of sale, a credit as to \$20.80, interest and expense of sale, to run at 6 per cent. per annum, from the 1st of January, 1884, to the 1st of January, 1885, and the balance upon terms to be announced at the time of sale.

By H. L. STAPLES & Co., Auctioneers.

TITUS'S SALE OF A DESIRABLE

TRACT OF 150 ACRES ABOUT FIVE MILES WEST OF RICHMOND BY AUCTION.—By virtue of a certain deed of gift, bearing date the 1st of December, 1881, and duly recorded in the office of the Henrico County Court, dated the 1st of December, 1881, and in the payment of certain notes thereon secured, and being required to do by the holder thereof, I shall proceed to sell at public auction, on the premises, the following described property:—

SATURDAY, MARCH 20, 1884, at 12 o'clock noon, the TRACT OF LAND in Henrico county, and known as the "HOPKINS" TRACT, or "BROOKLYN" TRACT, containing 150 acres, with a good PORTABLE FRAMED DWELLING, good barn, and other out-buildings thereon.

TERMS: Cash as to \$483.60, with interest thereon from January 1, 1884, and the following credits: \$400.00 payable on the 1st of January, 1885; \$483.60, payable January 1, 1887; and the residue, if any, upon such terms as may be announced at the time of sale.

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STOCK OF STOVES, TINWARE, AND

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FRIDAY, 21ST INST.

At 10 o'clock, I will sell at No. 527 Brook avenue, the stock, embracing good assortment of STOVES, TINWARE, AND HOUSE-FURNISHING GOODS.

Sale by order of the owner, to make a change in business.

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STOCK OF HAIRNESS, SADDLES,

AND OTHERS, AT AUCTION.—

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At 10 o'clock, I will sell at No. 810 east Broad street, the stock, embracing good assortment of HAIRNESS, SADDLES, AND OTHERS.

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